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Legal Research Apps

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Below are just a few of the many types of legal apps in the market. For more information on other relevant mobile apps, visit UCLA's excellent and extensive guide: "Mobile Applications for Law Students and Lawyers".

- Dictionary Apps
- Government Apps
- Legal News Apps
- Legal Reference Apps

| Dictionary Apps | | |
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| Арр | Description | Cost |
| BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY | Black's Law Dictionary , 9th Edition, edited by Bryan A. Garner. The iOS version is available via the iTunes app store. The Windows and Droid versions of this app can be purchased via Thomson Reuter's website. | \$54.99 |
| D | With nearly 1,000,000 words and definitions and 90,000 synonyms and antonyms, the Dictionary and Thesaurus app is extensive. It also features audio pronunciations and Dictionary.com's Word of the Day. Once downloaded, no internet use is required. Also comes as an adfree version for \$2.99. | Free-\$2.99 |
| THELAW | The Law Guide app was developed by the creators of the legal website TheLaw.com. It provides access to a legal dictionary, legal forms, case reviews, job post board, the New York State Code and more. | Free |
| Merriam- Webster | The Dictionary app by Merriam-Webster has a voice search function, a thesaurus, example sentences, and a Word of the Day. Also comes as an ad-free version for \$2.99. | Free-\$2.99 |

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| NOLO | Nolo's Plain English Law Dictionary is free via the iTunes App store. The Droid version is sold via Google Play Books for 16.19. | Free-\$16.19 |
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| OSBORN'S | The Osborn's Concise Law Dictionary is an app that provides definitions of more than 4,700 legal terms. Cross-references are provided. The app also allows you to bookmark terms that you find important, to make future reference convenient. | \$13.99 |
| TransLegal [*] | TransLegal's Law Dictionary is a dictionary for non-native English speakers. It provides definitions for thousands of legal terms, sound recordings to aid pronunciation, and contextual examples to aid in understanding. | \$24.99 |
| Wolfram | The Wolfram Lawyer's Professional Assistant is a mobile app that provides access to a legal dictionary, statutes of limitations for each state, calculators, as well as crime and demographic statistics. | \$4.99 |

| Government Apps | | |
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| | Congress+ is an app that offers information about the current session of Congress. The app identifies elected officials in Congress, retrieves their contact information, and lists legislative activity. | \$4.99 |
| | The Sunlight Foundations' Congress app allows you to find your representative, see how they vote, view upcoming bills and more. | Free |
| | The Constitution of the United States features the complete text of as well as audio versions of the Constitution. Also contains a table of contents and index for easy searching. | \$0.99 |
| HOUSE AND SENATE | The House and Senate app contains representative biographies, contact information, and the locations for which they serve. It is searchable by name, state, chamber, and political affiliation. Available via gpo.gov. | Free |
| BUDGET OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT | Mobile Budget of the U.S. Government is an app that allows you to access budget information for the most recent federal budget, including budget overviews by government agencies. Available via gpo.gov. | Free |

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| | MyCongress is a mobile app that allows you to track your legislators' news, video, and Twitter feeds. It also allows you to contact your legislator directly. | Free |
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| | OyezToday offers the latest news on cases currently pending in the US Supreme Court. It contains searchable audio of oral arguments and transcripts, summaries, and copies of the Court's most recent decisions. | Free |
| FULL | The PocketJustice FULL app provides access to abstracts of the U.S. Supreme Court's constitutional decisions, information and audio for more than 600 constitutional law cases, audio files for the Court's public sessions, as well as voting alignments and biographical sketches for all of the 112 Justices in Supreme Court history. | \$4.99 |
| *PRES* DOCS | The Presidential Documents app provides mobile access to documents released by the White House beginning in 2009. The collection includes executive orders, speeches, statements, approved acts, nominations submitted to the Senate, White House announcements, and press releases. Users can search documents by date, location, category, name, or subject. Available via gpo.gov. | Free |
| Roal Time CONGRESS subject foundation | The Real Time Congress app provides live updates from the current legislative session. The app delivers updates, schedules, and key policy documents to your device the moment they are released by Congress and the White House. | Free |
| THE WHITE HOLSE | The White House is the official app of the White House. It delivers news, videos and photos as well as live streams White House events with the President. The app can be downloaded from USA.gov. | Free |

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| Арр | Description | Cost |
| A | ABA Journal Mobile is an app that provides legal news and articles featured in the ABA Journal. | Free |
| American Lawyer | The American Lawyer is an app that provides instant access to recent issues of <i>American Lawyer</i> every month. | Free |
| 130 | The Bloomberg app provides current information about news, stock quotes, company descriptions, market trends analysis, and more. | Free |

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| 5 | Legal Edge is a news app that provides updates, alerts, and case filings from various legal professionals in the United States. Some subject areas include: banking and finance, bankruptcy, consumer protection, health law, immigration, insurance, intellectual property, labor and employment, legal marketing, real estate, and taxes. | Free |
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| VEWS | The Legal News app aggregates legal news from a variety of sources and compiles them for viewing on your mobile device. | \$1.99 |
| LEGAL® News & | The Legal News Reader app is an aggregator app that retrieves important news stories from a number of legal news sites. The app allows users to comment on articles, to read comments left by others, and to share stories with others. | \$0.99 |
| | The LexisNexis Legal News app is an aggregator app that assembles the latest legal news from a variety of sources into one location. | Free |
| | The LexisNexis Tax Law Community is a source for legal news, analysis, and commentary on emerging legal tax issues. | Free |
| | MyCongress is a mobile app that allows you to track your legislators' news, video, and Twitter feeds. It also allows you to contact your legislator directly. | Free |
| | OyezToday offers the latest news on cases currently pending in the US Supreme Court. It contains searchable audio of oral arguments and transcripts, summaries, and copies of the Court's most recent decisions. | Free |
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| Allaw | AllLaw is a legal reference app that provides access to the Federal Rules and additional access to state codes and other reference materials available as in-app purchases. | Free/ Optional Add-ons |

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| | American Arbitration Association's app provides ready access to AAA rules, codes, and protocols, as well as contact information for AAA offices worldwide. | Free |
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| dLaw | dLaw is an Droid app that allows users to search, bookmark, copy, share, and annotate text of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Evidence, Appellate Procedure, Criminal Procedure, and Bankruptcy Procedure. Add-ons for full-text of states' codes are available in Google Play. | Free/ Optional Add-ons |
| f | Fastcase is a web-based legal research service that provides access to U.S. cases and statutes. Searches of the Fastcase database may be performed using citations, phrases, or keywords and Boolean searches. | Free |
| X | LawBox is a mobile app that provides access to the text of the United States Code and a variety of state statutes. | Free |
| THE LAW | The Law Guide app was developed by the creators of the legal website TheLaw.com. It provides access to a legal dictionary, legal forms, case reviews, job post board, the New York State Code and more. | Free |
| | LawStack credits its app as being a "legal library in your pocket." It comes installed with texts of the U.S. Constitution and a variety of Federal rules and procedures and provides the option to download the Code of Federal Regulations, the U.S. Code, and some state statutes. | Free |
| | The Litigator app provides mobile access to the Federal Rules of Appellate, Civil, and Criminal Procedure, the Federal Rules of Evidence, the Supreme Court Rules of Procedure, Title 18, Title 28, and Local Rules for federal courts. The rules are searchable, cross-indexed, and hyperlinked. | \$14.99 |
| S _{ml} | MobileLaw is a legal reference app that provides access to more than 250 legal texts. | Free |
| OPENREGS | OpenRegs lets you track regulations published in the Federal Register. The app locates recently issued notices of final and proposed rulemaking, and allows you to browse regulations by agency. | Free |
| | Rulebook is an app that provides users with federal and state court rules. It has full-text searching of the user's Rulebook library, basic annotation tools, and hyperlink to other relevant rules. The standard cost of in-app purchases of rules is \$1.99 . The Bluebook is available as an in-app purchase for \$39.99 . | Free/ Optional Add-ons |

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